



1 extensive and inclusive review of structuring school governance and included different  
2 design models and engaged New Orleans residents and has framed a set of recommendations  
3 for building a unified school district.

4           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
5 create the Local Schools Commission of Orleans to study the feasibility of returning control  
6 of all Recovery School District schools located in Orleans Parish back to the Orleans Parish  
7 School Board.

8           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the commission created herein shall consist of  
9 the following members:

- 10           (1) One member of the Senate who is domiciled in Orleans Parish, appointed by  
11           the president.
- 12           (2) One member of the House of Representatives who is domiciled in Orleans  
13           Parish, appointed by the speaker.
- 14           (3) The president of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, or  
15           his designee.
- 16           (4) The president of the Orleans Parish School Board, or his designee.
- 17           (5) The state superintendent of education, or his designee.
- 18           (6) The superintendent of the Recovery School District, or his designee.
- 19           (7) The superintendent of the Orleans Parish School Board, or his designee.
- 20           (8) The executive director of the Louisiana Public Charter School Association,  
21           or his designee.
- 22           (9) The chief executive officer of the Choice Foundation, or his designee.
- 23           (10) The chief executive officer of the Algiers Charter School Association, or his  
24           designee.
- 25           (11) The chief executive officer of KIPP New Orleans, or his designee.
- 26           (12) The executive director of the Orleans Public Education Network, or his  
27           designee.
- 28           (13) One representative from a single school charter operator chosen from two  
29           names submitted by the president of the Orleans Parish School Board and  
30           appointed by the executive director of the Orleans Public Education

- 1                   Network.
- 2           (14)   One representative from a single school charter operator chosen from two
- 3                   names submitted by the president of the State Board of Elementary and
- 4                   Secondary Education and appointed by the executive director of the Orleans
- 5                   Public Education Network.
- 6           (15)   The president of the East Bank Collaborative of Charter Schools, or his
- 7                   designee.
- 8           (16)   The mayor of the city of New Orleans, or his designee, shall serve as a non-
- 9                   voting ex officio member.
- 10          (17)   The chair of the New Orleans City Council Committee on Health, Education,
- 11                   and Social Services, or his designee, shall serve as a non-voting ex officio
- 12                   member.

13           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the commission study shall include an  
14 examination and analysis concerning the following:

- 15          (1)   The feasibility of returning all Recovery School District schools located in
- 16                   Orleans Parish to the management of the Orleans Parish School Board.
- 17          (2)   The optimal governance structure for defining the relationship between the
- 18                   Orleans Parish School Board and the local charter schools located within
- 19                   Orleans Parish.
- 20          (3)   Include a "Planning and Implementation Report And Transition Plan" to
- 21                   accomplish this task in an efficacious and dutiful manner to the benefit of the
- 22                   public school children of New Orleans by November 1, 2014.

23           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the commission shall serve  
24 without compensation, except per diem or expense reimbursement to which they may be  
25 entitled as members of their constituent organizations.

26           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a majority of the total membership shall  
27 constitute a quorum of the commission, and that any official action by the commission shall  
28 require an affirmative vote of a majority of the quorum present and voting.

29           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the executive director of the Orleans Public  
30 Education Network, or his designee, shall serve as chair of the commission.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Orleans Public Education Network shall  
2 provide administrative support for the commission in collaboration and cooperation with the  
3 State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Recovery School District, and the  
4 Orleans Parish School Board.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the commission may conduct public meetings  
6 at such times as it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise its powers fully  
7 and effectively, perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this  
8 Resolution, and may receive at such public meetings testimony and other evidence relative  
9 to any of the subjects of the study enumerated in this Resolution.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the commission shall issue a report of its  
11 findings to the legislature and the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education no  
12 later than February 1, 2015.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
14 president of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, the state  
15 superintendent of education, the superintendent of the Orleans Parish School Board, and the  
16 superintendent of the Recovery School District.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alan Miller.

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DIGEST

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SCR No. 89

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